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MASSACHUSETTS COMMERCIAL SUMMER FLOUNDER (FLUKE) FISHERY TRIP LIMIT TO DROP TO 100 POUNDS ON FEBRUARY 23, 2004.

The Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries has projected that 75% of the January through May period quota has been reached. Therefore, effective 0001 hours on Monday, February 23, 2004 the commercial fluke fishery trip limit will drop from 2,500 pounds to 100 pounds per day. This trip limit will remain in effect through the end of May. The commercial fishery will reopen on June 10th with a 300 pound trip limit for commercial fishermen using nets and 200 pound trip limit for those using hooks.